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Mr. David C. Miller, Alaska Division  
Administrator  
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Attn: Peter Serrano, Planner

RE: 2001 - 2003 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) Amendment #27

Dear Mr. Miller:


The following minor amendment, which only requires FHWA approval, is submitted for your consideration.

The Department is proposing to add the Alaska Marine Highway System New Mainline Vessel design study report to the 2001-2003 STIP. The amount is \$500,000. We anticipate that the project will be classified under Categorical Exclusion for environmental. This project can be started now because of the influx of new dollars available from provisions in 23 USC 218.

This STIP amendment was developed in compliance with Title 23 - Section 135 and the State Planning Regulations. I appreciate your continued support of our transportation program.

APPROVED

Sincerely,

*8/25/03*  
  
FHWA / Transportation Planner



Mike Barton  
Commissioner

cc: Jennifer Bowman, Community Planner, FTA Region X